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Copyright, Distance Learning & Open Access: A Public & Private Update
January 27, 2012, University of South Florida St. Petersburg
Location: The Gallery, Harbor Hall

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Workshop Overview
Copyright has emerged as a hot-button global policy issue as the Internet and new technologies transform the way millions of people create, access, use, and reuse content. The implications for education are very significant with the emergence of open access, open educational resources, and new distance learning opportunities. This workshop will address these issues with the following events:

Workshop Schedule
8:00-9:00  Registration and continental breakfast
9:00-9:10  Welcome from Dean of Library Carol Hixson and Regional Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Norine Noonan, USFSP
9:10-9:30  Opening session: Kenneth Crews -- Putting Copyright in Perspective: Its Immediacy for Education and Research
9:30-10:30 Lecture and discussion: Michael Geist -- Copyright in the International Arena
11:00-11:40 Lecture and discussion: Kenneth Crews -- Copyright in Transition: Legislation & Lawsuits
2:30-4:30  Private Session for Invited Participants from USFSP K. Crews and M. Geist

For more than twenty years, Dr. Crews has focused much of his research, policymaking, and teaching on copyright issues and has been a leader on providing a better understanding of the relationship of copyright law to the needs of higher education. In 2008 he completed a study for the World Intellectual Property Organization analyzing copyright statutes applicable to libraries in the laws of more than 150 countries. His publications also include, Copyright Law for Librarians and Educators (2006) and Copyright, Fair Use, and the Challenge for Universities: Promoting the Progress of Higher Education (1993).

Dr. Geist is an internationally syndicated columnist on technology law issues in the Toronto Star and the Ottawa Citizen. He is the editor of From “Radical Extremism” to “Balanced Copyright”: Canadian Copyright and the Digital Agenda (2010) and In the Public Interest: The Future of Canadian Copyright Law (2005). He has received numerous awards for his work including the Kroeger Award for Policy Leadership and the Public Knowledge IP3 Award in 2010, the Les Fowle Award for Intellectual Freedom in 2009, the Electronic Frontier Foundation’s Pioneer Award in 2008, and Canarie’s IWAY Public Leadership Award. Managing Intellectual Property named him on the 50 most influential people on intellectual property in the world.

To register, contact Carol Hixson, Dean of Library, USFSP, hixson@usfsp.edu

Workshop Registration Fee:
- Free to USFSP Faculty and Staff
- $25 for other interested parties

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